

**Livestock & Grain Market News**

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Week ending November 12, 2004



Alfalfa hay guidelines, used with visual appearances and intent of sale: Relative Feed Value (RFV); Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF); Crude Protein (CP) \*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. \*\*TDN calculated using the western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100 % dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%).

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	CP
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

**WASHINGTON/OREGON (Columbia Basin)** November 12, 2004 Tons: 9,283; Last Week: 7,800; Last Year: 7,500. Premium and Supreme Alfalfa mostly steady. Demand good with limited supplies. Good Alfalfa mostly steady, fair not tested. Demand light to moderate with moderate to heavy supplies. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales fully steady. Demand good with light to moderate supplies.

Quality, Size	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
<b>Export Alfalfa sales to move in 60 days unless noted:</b>			
Premium 2 tie	200	130.00	130.00
Premium 3 tie	1,650	120.00-128.00	125.09
Premium midsize/ton	150	105.00	105.00
Good midsize/ton	2,200	85.00-88.00	86.64
<b>Alfalfa, domestic sales:</b>			
Supreme 2-3 tie	30	130.00	130.00
Supreme midsize/ton	1,500	120.00-123.00	120.60
Premium 2-3 tie	60	110.00	110.00
Premium midsize/ton	200	115.00	115.00
3,293 tons of other hay. Premium Alfalfa, 2 tie bales, rain damage, to export account 110.00-115.00 FOB. Good to Premium Alfalfa, 2 tie/midsize/one ton bales, rain damage, to feedlot account 65.00-75.00 FOB. 5th cutting Alfalfa, in windrow 50.00 FOB. Sales to feed store, horse, goats, llama and alpaca mostly 2-3 tie and small truckloads: Premium Alfalfa 125.00 FOB. Good to Premium Alfalfa 100.00 FOB. Premium Orchard 130.00-135.00 FOB. Premium Orchard and Alfalfa blend 130.00 FOB. Premium Orchard and Alfalfa blend, rain damage 100.00 FOB. Fescue grass 105.00 FOB. Wheat straw 50.00 FOB.			
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**IDAHO** – November 12, 2004 Tons: 21,100; Last Week: 6,500; Last Year: 15,700. Premium and Supreme Alfalfa sales steady. Demand good with light supplies. Fair and Good Alfalfa steady to firm. Demand light to moderate with moderate to fairly heavy supplies. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales remain mostly steady in a thin test. Demand light, light to moderate supplies. Wet weather conditions haven't changed much. Some 4th and 5th cutting still in windrow on west side and some 3rd cutting down on the east side of the state.

Quality, Size	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
<b>Export Alfalfa sales to move in 60 days unless noted:</b>			
Premium 3 tie	1,000	100.00	100.00
Good midsize/ton	500	80.00	80.00
<b>Alfalfa, domestic sales:</b>			
Supreme midsize	2,330	125.00-135.00	126.29
Premium midsize	11,025	100.00-105.00	104.80
Good midsize/ton	2,270	75.00-90.00	81.96
Fair midsize/ton	785	65.00-75.00	70.80
3,190 tons of other hay. 1st cutting Alfalfa, some cheat grass, 3 tie bales, to dairy account 115.00 FOB. Premium Alfalfa, one ton/midsize, rain damage, to dry cow account 70.00-80.00 FOB. Good Alfalfa, 2 tie, rain damage, to stock cow account 70.00 FOB. Good Alfalfa, one ton, rain damage, to feedlot account 60.00-64.00 FOB. Feed store & horse accounts sale on covered hay, mostly 2-3 tie: Good to Prem. Alfalfa 95.-100.00 FOB. Good Alfalfa 85.-90.00 FOB.			
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<b>CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE WHEAT FUTURES</b>					
<b>WHEAT</b>			<b>CORN</b>		
11-11-04 Settlement - Change			11-11-04 Settlement - Change		
Dec. 04	3.02 ¾	dn ¾	Dec. 04	1.97 ¾	dn 1
Mar. 05	3.14	dn 1 ¾	Mar. 05	2.09 ¾	dn 1
May 05	3.20 ¾	dn 1 ¾	May 05	2.16 ¾	dn 1 ½
<b>USDA Market News So. St. Paul, MN 651-451-1565</b>					
<b>MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN EXCH. SPRING WHEAT FUTURES</b>			<b>KANSAS CITY BOARD of TRADE WHEAT FUTURES</b>		
11-11-04 Settlement - Change			11-11-04 Settlement - Change		
Dec. 04	3.67 ¾	dn ¾	Dec. 04	3.49 ¾	dn 1 ½
Mar. 05	3.72 ¾	dn ¾	Mar. 05	3.49	dn 2 ¾
May 05	3.74	dn 2	May 05	3.48	dn 2 ¾
<b>USDA Market News So. St. Paul, MN 651-451-1565</b>			<b>USDA-MO Market News St. Joseph, 816 238 0678</b>		

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<b>2004 year-to-date Exports – Quantities in Short Tons</b>			
<b>ALFALFA HAY (Double Compressed): CUBES (Suncured &amp; Dehydrated): OTHER HAY (Whether or not Double Compressed)</b>			
<b>From California Ports</b>			
	<b>JAPAN</b>	<b>OTHER COUNTRIES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>JAN</b>	81,377	28,839	110,217
<b>FEB</b>	70,888	25,561	96,449
<b>MAR</b>	72,783	30,449	103,231
<b>APR</b>	66,038	20,763	86,801
<b>MAY</b>	59,449	17,169	76,619
<b>JUN</b>	59,444	17,482	76,926
<b>JUL</b>	54,335	16,225	70,559
<b>AUG</b>	52,934	22,486	75,419
<b>SEP</b>	61,292	21,561	82,853
<b>From Washington &amp; Oregon Ports</b>			
<b>JAN</b>	112,749	37,393	150,142
<b>FEB</b>	120,107	42,636	162,742
<b>MAR</b>	148,737	39,202	187,939
<b>APR</b>	146,772	37,747	184,520
<b>MAY</b>	138,558	21,935	160,493
<b>JUN</b>	109,386	38,841	148,226
<b>JUL</b>	99,403	21,762	121,165
<b>AUG</b>	101,657	27,184	128,841
<b>SEP</b>	102,344	35,946	138,290
<b>CUMULATIVE</b>	1,658,252	503,181	2,161,433
<b>US Dept. of Commerce;</b>			
<b>Cumulative totals may not be exact due to rounding.</b>			

**OREGON AREAS** – November 12, 2004 Tons: 5,590; Last Week: 24,400; Last Year: 6,175.

**CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES:** 1,710 tons confirmed. Premium and Supreme Alfalfa sales steady in a thin test. Demand good with limited supplies. Fair and Good Alfalfa not tested this past week. Demand light with moderate supplies. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales limited, few sales steady. Demand light to moderate with light to moderate supplies.

**Alfalfa Domestic Sales:**

<b>Supreme ¾, ton</b>	500	125.00	125.00
<b>Premium ¾, ton</b>	150	120.00	120.00

1,060 tons of other hay. 5th cutting Supreme Alfalfa, one ton bales, high moisture, to dairy account 120.00 FOB. Orchard grass, large bales, rain damage, to stock cow account 85.00 FOB. Export grass straw, large bales 35.00-40.00 FOB. Sales to feed store, horse, goats, llama and alpaca mostly 2-3 tie bales and small truckloads: Premium Alfalfa 120.00-125.00 FOB. Premium Orchard 120.00-125.00 FOB.

**SOUTHERN OREGON, KLAMATH BASIN:** 950 tons confirmed. Not enough confirmed sales on any class of hay for an adequate market test. Demand for tested hays good with very limited supplies. Demand for feeder hay improving somewhat but undamaged hay is in firm hands. Supply light to moderate. Hay with faults moderate to heavy. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales very quiet with no confirmed sales reported. Demand light with light to moderate supplies.

**Alfalfa Domestic Sales:**

<b>Supreme 2-3 tie</b>	200	140.00	140.00
<b>Supreme midsize</b>	210	125.00	125.00

540 tons of other hay. Fair to Good Alfalfa, midsize bales, rain damage, to feedlot account 85.00 FOB. Fair Alfalfa, 2 tie bales, rain damage, to feedlot account 80.00 FOB. Fair Alfalfa, 3 tie bales, 2003 crop, to stock cow account 70.00 FOB. Organic grass, large bales, to dry cow account 100.00 FOB. Sales to feed store, horse, goats, llama and alpaca mostly 2-3 tie bales and small truckloads: Fescue grass 80.00 FOB.

**LAKE COUNTY:** 390 tons confirmed. Not enough confirmed sales on any class of hay to test. Demand for dairy quality hay good with supplies very limited. Demand for feeder/dry cow hay moderate with light to moderate supplies. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales very limited with too few sales to test trends. Demand light with light to moderate supplies.

**Alfalfa Domestic Sales:**

<b>Supreme ¾, ton</b>	330	120.00	120.00
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60 tons of other hay. 1st cutting alfalfa, 3 tie bales, rain damage, to dairy account 120.00 FOB. Sales to feed store, horse, goats, llama and alpaca mostly 2-3 tie bales and small truckloads: Meadow grass 110.00 FOB.

**HARNEY COUNTY:** 600 tons confirmed. Not enough confirmed sales this past week to test trends. Demand moderate with limited supplies available. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales very quiet with no confirmed sales reported. Demand light to moderate with light to moderate supplies.

**Alfalfa Domestic Sales:**

<b>Premium midsize</b>	300	105.00	105.00
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300 tons of other hay. Premium Alfalfa, midsize bales, rain damage, to dairy account 95.00 FOB. Triticale and Alfalfa (40%) blend, midsize bales, to buffalo account 70.00 FOB.

**EASTERN OR. (BAKER, MALHEUR, WALLOWA CO.):** 1,940 tons confirmed. Too few confirmed sales on any class of hay to test trends. Demand light as weather conditions remain wet and several producers continue to wait for dry weather so they can get their hay raked, baled, and out of the fields. Some hays have been down over 30 days and some hay is still standing. With time running out, some producers are looking for other options to try and salvage their crops. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales very quiet, no confirmed sales. Demand light with light to moderate supplies.

**EASTERN OR. continued:**

**Export Alfalfa sales to move in 60 days unless noted:**

<b>Good mid/ton</b>	600	70.00	70.00
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**Alfalfa Domestic Sales:**

<b>Good midsize</b>	880	85.00	85.00
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460 tons of other hay. 4th cutting Supreme Alfalfa, midsize bales, high moisture, to dairy account 110.00 FOB. 1st cutting Alfalfa, 2003 crop, ¾ bales, to dry cow account 75.00 FOB. Export Timothy, #2 dairy 115.00 FOB.

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**Northwest Direct, WA-OR-ID Weekly Feeder Cattle 11/12/04**

Feeder Cattle: 300; Last Week: 700; Year Ago: 3,250. Feeder cattle not established this holiday shortened week, however a lower undertone was noted. Trade very slow due to many interests receiving previously contracted video and direct cattle

and a shortage of trucks to ship the cattle, with light to moderate demand. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 2-3 cent slide on calves and a 3-6 cent slide on yearlings.

**Feeder Steers:** Med and Large 1-2: 700-750 lbs 100.00 FOB OR.

**Feeder Heifers:** Med and Large 1-2: 450-500 lbs 116.00 FOB ID.  
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**Afternoon National Slaughter Cattle Review 11/11/04**

This report is based on information provided by companies that agreed to continue to participate in Livestock Mandatory Reporting on a voluntary basis. Trade active on good demand in all major feeding areas. Compared to last week live sales in the Southern Plains traded 3.00-4.00 higher at 85.00, and in the Northern Plains 2.00-3.00 higher at 83.00-85.00. Dressed sales in Nebraska traded 2.00-4.00 higher than last week at 130.00-134.00. Negotiated sales:

Confirmed: 85,131 Week ago: 39,179 Year ago: 5,117  
Week to Date: 163,535 Week ago: 74,650 Year ago: 65,119  
Negotiated: prices paid for Domestic Slaughter steers and heifers:  
(Information derived from the 5 area weighted average LM\_CT100)

Live basis	Steers	Heifers
Over 80% Choice	80.50-84.00 avg 83.41	83.00-85.50 avg 84.29
65 - 80% Choice	81.00-85.75 avg 84.07	83.00-85.00 avg 83.96
35 - 65% Choice	82.00-85.75 avg 84.87	82.00-85.50 avg 84.89
0 - 35% Choice	83.50-85.00 avg 84.96	85.00-85.00 avg 85.00

Dressed basis	Steers	Heifers
Over 80% Ch	130.00-132.00 avg 130.39	129.00-132.00 avg 130.49
65 - 80% Ch	130.00-134.00 avg 132.42	128.50-132.00 avg 130.32
35 - 65% Ch	128.50-135.00 avg 130.82	128.50-134.00 avg 131.72
0 - 35% Ch	128.50-128.50 avg 128.50	-- --

USDA Market News Service, St Joseph, MO 816/238-0678

**NATIONAL DAILY BOXED BEEF CUTOUT & BOXED BEEF CUTS**

11/11/04 Based on negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered in 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds. \*\*\*This report is based on information provided by companies that agreed to continue to participate in Livestock Mandatory Reporting on a voluntary basis.\*\*\* Boxed beef cutout values firm on moderate demand and offerings. Select and Choice rib, chuck, round, and loin cuts steady to firm. Beef trimmings firm on light to moderate demand and offerings.

CHOICE	CHOICE	CHOICE	SELECT	SELECT	SELECT
600-900	600-750	750-900	600-900	600-750	750-900
Current Cutout Values:					
130.60	132.88	130.41	124.89	125.92	124.94
Change from prior day:					
0.41	0.63	0.55	0.53	0.04	0.73

USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA 515-284-4460

**Toppenish Monthly Dairy Replacement Sale, 11/05/04** Receipts: 980; Last Month: 865; Last Year: 700. Auction not covered due to reporter being at meeting. USDA Market News, Moses Lake, WA (509) 765-3611

**Stockland LS Auction, Davenport, WA -** 11/08/04 Receipts: 2,206; Week Ago: 1,929; Year Ago: 2,577. Feeder cattle steady to 4.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 3.00 lower. Trade slow to moderate with light to moderate demand.

#### Feeder Steer Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Weight	Avg Wt	Price	Avg Price
11	450-500	457	120.00	120.00
41	500-550	542	102.00-108.00	105.25
9	500-550	517	110.00	Thin
57	550-600	571	99.00-107.50	101.76
97	600-650	636	97.00-102.50	100.69
46	650-700	675	97.00-100.00	98.50
54	700-750	736	94.75-99.00	95.86
6	750-800	751	95.00	95.00
12	800-850	800	90.00	90.00
23	850-900	867	85.00-88.50	87.17

#### Feeder Steer Small and Medium 1-2

5	500-550	540	97.00	97.00
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#### Feeder Steer Small and Medium 2-3

5	600-650	600	89.00	89.00
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#### Feeder Holstein Steers Large 2-3

8	350-400	357	94.50	94.50
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#### Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

17	450-500	478	104.00-107.00	105.36
63	500-550	532	95.00-102.00	99.76
28	550-600	580	94.50-100.00	96.67
23	600-650	626	94.75-97.50	95.66
10	650-700	658	94.00-94.75	94.38
21	700-750	729	89.00-94.75	93.13
5	750-800	798	86.25	86.25

#### Feeder Heifers Large 1-2

10	900-950	948	84.20	Heiferettes
12	1000-1050	1036	83.75	Heiferettes

#### Feeder Heifers Small and Medium 1-2

10	600-650	623	92.00-92.50	92.25
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#### Feeder Heifers Small and Medium 2-3

12	450-500	480	93.00-96.00	94.18
9	500-550	517	94.00	94.00
22	550-600	579	93.00-95.00	93.62
5	600-650	619	87.75	87.75

#### Feeder Cows Medium and Large 1-2

5	1000-1050	1036	56.00	Middle age
6	1050-1100	1058	42.00	Older age
6	1400-1450	1400	47.50	Older age

#### Feeder Cows Medium and Large 2-3

10	900-950	905	73.50	Young age
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#### Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean:

Breakers	75-80	1200-1800 lbs	43.00-47.00
High Yielding			48.00-51.50
Low Yielding			39.00-43.00
Boners	80-85	1000-1900 lbs	44.00-48.00
High Yielding			49.50-50.50
Low Yielding			40.00-44.00
Lean	85-90	1000-1500 lbs	43.00-47.50
Low Yielding			39.00-43.00
Lean	90-95	1000-1300 lbs	37.00-41.00

#### Slaughter Bulls:

YG 1-2	1500-2100 lbs	50.00-55.00
High Yielding		57.75-60.00
Low Yielding		44.00-50.00

**Hogs:** 12; Feeder Pigs (Per Head): US 2-3 17 lbs 17.50; 31 lbs 26.00.

**Sheep:** 30; Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 2-3: 85 lbs 81.50. Replacement Ewes: Med and Large 2-3: 188 lbs 36.00 exposed.

**Goats** (per head): 30;

Nannies: Selection 2-3: 114 lbs 65.00.

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#### Klamath LS Auction, Klamath Falls, OR

11/09/04 Receipts: 1,251; Last Week: 326; Last Year: 517. Feeder steers under 600 lbs 5.00-8.00 higher, over 600 lbs 1.00-3.00 higher. Feeder heifers steady to 1.00 higher. Feeder cows 1.00 higher. Stock cows steady. Slaughter cows, boner steady, lean 3.00 lower. Slaughter bulls 2.00 higher. Demand for all classes moderate to good.

#### Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1

Head	Weight	Avg Wt	Price	Avg Price
9	356-359	358	115.00	115.00
6	434	434	114.00	114.00
27	458-499	489	109.00-114.00	111.74
26	513-527	522	108.00-112.50	110.76
5	557	557	112.00	112.00
30	600-649	626	105.50-109.50	106.34
21	651-688	671	92.00-94.50	93.16
32	715-741	730	90.50-93.50	92.72
35	776-796	789	89.00-93.50	92.39
22	801-829	821	88.50-89.50	88.77
11	889	889	88.75	88.75
33	952	952	85.00	85.00

#### Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1 - 2

3	231	231	109.00	109.00
6	300-325	313	106.00-112.00	109.12
12	383-397	390	101.50-108.00	104.58
20	408-436	432	102.00-110.00	103.13
22	465-492	482	86.00-105.00	97.67
51	504-547	526	77.50-107.00	101.39
17	575-595	582	75.00-106.00	88.41
45	600-635	619	92.00-101.00	97.55
56	651-693	676	78.00-100.00	89.18
26	705-744	723	70.00-88.00	81.58
10	750-770	762	70.00-86.50	75.86
6	860-872	864	80.00-82.00	80.67

#### Feeder Holstein Steers Large 2 - 3

7	502	502	62.50	62.50
4	732	732	68.50	68.50

#### Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1

4	416	416	116.00	116.00
37	455-489	467	102.00-108.00	105.22
16	532-549	539	101.00-104.00	102.15
52	550-585	563	94.00-103.00	96.59
15	603-637	622	95.50-100.00	97.99
14	713-738	730	87.75-88.00	87.84
12	753-763	758	87.00-89.00	87.99
5	840	840	88.50	88.50

#### Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1 - 2

9	318-335	330	95.00-102.00	97.25
8	375-378	377	90.50-96.00	93.24
25	407-427	425	88.50-94.50	89.55
21	475-492	477	96.00-98.50	96.25
24	500-537	525	85.00-93.50	90.88
48	552-594	576	76.00-94.00	90.15
70	602-649	630	81.00-94.00	88.59
7	671	671	84.50-85.50	85.07
4	718	718	83.50	83.50

**Feeder Cows:** Medium and Large 1-2 Young cows 670-1140 lbs 57.00-60.50; Mixed age cows 785-1030 lbs 36.00-46.00.

**Stock cows:** Med and Large 1 English cross 1170-1500 lbs young and middle age with 100-300 lb calves 840.00-990.00 per pair.

#### Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean

Breaker	75-80	1680-1845 lbs	44.00-45.00
Boner	80-85	1210-1640 lbs	44.00-47.00
Low Dr.	80-85	1350-1485 lbs	40.00-43.00
Lean	85-90	960-1250 lbs	40.00-43.00
Low Dr.	85-90	885-1045 lbs	28.00-39.00

#### Slaughter Bulls:

YG 1-2	1670-2055 lbs	55.50-58.00
High Dressing	Ind 2070 lbs	62.50
Low Dressing	1290-1970 lbs	42.00-54.00

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Klamath Falls, OR 541-883-7131**

#### Toppenish Auction, Toppenish, WA

11/11/04- Receipts: 2,000; Last Week: 2,320; Last Year: 2,068. No trends due to market not being reported in observance of the Veteran's day holiday. **USDA AMS, 509-765-3611**

#### NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOGS

##### PLANT DELIVERED 11/11/04

##### NEGOTIATED PURCHASE

(Including Packer Sold)

Barrows & Gilts (carcass basis): 19,853

Compared to Prior Day's closing

weighted average, 1.48 higher.

Base Price Range \$63.00 - \$80.00,

Weighted Average \$75.02

Base Market Hog 185 lb Carcass Basis

(0.9-1.1 inch back-fat, 6 sq. in. loin/2.0 depth)

This report is based on information provided

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participate in Livestock Mandatory Reporting

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#### National Fresh

##### Turkeys 11-10-04

Fresh Turkeys, U.S.

Grade A, Delivered

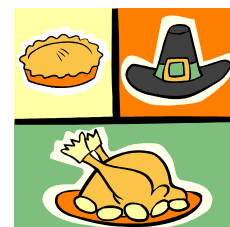
To First Receivers

(Prices Reflect

Turkeys With

Timers) Week of

Nov 15, 2004



#### Price (cents/lb.) Volume (lbs.)

Priced At Time Of Sale		
8-16 lbs.	88.21	17,454,000
16-24 lbs.	92.08	14,272,150

#### Price To Be Determined

8-16 lbs.	--	280,000
16-24 lbs.	--	280,000

Total Volume: 32,286,150

Fresh Turkeys With Timers Or Equivalent, U.S. Grade A Del. First Receivers, Eastern Region, Cents Per Pound, Week Of 15-Nov-2004

#### Hens (8-16#)

#### Toms (16-24#)

#### Price Pounds(000) Price Pounds(000)

Sales (Promotions Included)  
86.98 4220 87.21 2785

Sales (Promotions Not Included)  
86.98 4220 87.21 2785

Sales (Promotions Only)

Sales (Price To Be Determined)

Source: Usda/Ams Poultry Programs, Market

News Des Moines, Ia 515.284.4471



## Pacific Northwest Add Weekly Grain

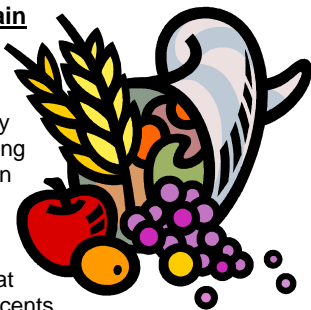
### Summary Nov 11, 2004

**Cash Soft White Wheat** - Pacific Northwest: Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat for November Portland delivery ended the reporting shortened reporting week on Wednesday, November 10, in a range of 3.93 to 3.97, mostly 3.96, five to seven cents per bushel higher than week ago bids of 3.88 to 3.90, mostly 3.88. White club wheat premiums ranged from three to four cents, mostly three cents per bushel, over soft white wheat bids. One year ago, bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat for first half November Portland delivery were 3.86 to 3.88, mostly 3.86 and bids for last half November ranged from 3.86 to 3.88, mostly 3.88, with white club wheat premiums ranging from two to three cents, mostly two cents per bushel, over soft white wheat bids. Nearby bids for soft white wheat began the reporting week on Friday at the weekly low of mostly 3.91, then rose to mostly 3.93 on Monday, to mostly 3.94 on Tuesday, and to the weekly high of mostly 3.96 on Wednesday, the reporting week's close. Limited country selling during the week which met moderate to good exporter buying interest in order to meet export vessel commitments were supportive to bids, while light new export demand tempered advances. Trading was generally slow throughout the week. New export sales of white wheat made during the week were Taiwan, Japan, and South Korea. On Wednesday, bids for soft white wheat for December delivery were 3.94 to 3.97, with bids for January through March delivery ranging from 3.95 to 3.97.

**Outstanding white wheat** export sales as of November 4, 2004, for the marketing year beginning June 1, 2004 and ending May 31, 2005, were 915.0 thousand MT compared to 864.8 thousand as of October 28 and 609.0 thousand one year ago. Outstanding export sales for the 2004-2005 marketing year were to the following countries in 1,000 MT: Egypt 273.6, Philippines 191.6, Japan 134.2, South Korea 107.1, Pakistan 92.0, Yemen 80.0, Taiwan 17.9, Thailand 17.0, Hong Kong 1.5, and Burma 0.1. Accumulated white wheat export shipments as of November 4, in 1,000 MT for the 2004-2005 marketing year, were 2,403.6 compared to 1,872.7 one year ago.

**Outstanding U.S. barley** export sales as of November 4, 2004, for the crop year beginning June 1, 2004 and ending May 31, 2005, were 10.7 thousand MT compared to 93.0 thousand as of October 28 and 296.5 thousand one year ago. Outstanding barley export sales for the 2004-2005 marketing year were limited to Japan at 10.7 thousand. Accumulated barley export shipments as of November 4, in 1,000 MT for this marketing year, were 129.7 compared to 181.0 one year ago.

**Coarse feeding grains:** Bids for US 2 Barley delivered to the coast in unit trains or barges during November through February for export use ranged from 90.00 to 94.00, 1.00 to 4.00 per ton higher than last Thursday's noon bids of 89.00 to 90.00, mostly 89.00 per ton, for November through January delivery. Exporters raised their bids in order to encourage country selling to meet export vessel commitments. Some exporters were still not issuing barley bids, although most exporters were. Trading was slow. Bids for US 2 Barley delivered to the inland feeding areas of Hermiston, Oregon and Yakima, Washington during November ranged from 86.00 to 92.00 per ton, 3.00 to 4.00 per ton higher than week ago bids of 82.00 to 89.00 per ton. Trading continued to be slow. Cash corn bids were all 25 cents per ton higher than week ago bids in reaction to fractionally higher Chicago December corn futures compared to last Thursday. Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered to the full coast in single rail cars for domestic use ranged from 103.25 to 109.75 compared to week ago bids of 103.00 to 109.50. Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered to Portland in single rail cars ranged from 102.25 to 103.00 compared to week ago bids of 102.00 to 102.75. Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn rail delivered to the Yakima Valley ranged from 103.25 to 104.75 compared to last Thursday's noon bids of 103.00 to 104.50. Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn truck delivered to the Yakima Valley were 97.50 to 102.50 compared to week ago bids of 97.25 to 102.25. Bids for US 2 Heavy White Oats for November delivery held steady with week ago bids of 120.00 in very slow trading. USDA Market News Service, Portland, OR Martha Hansen (503) 326-2237



## Crop Production November 12, 2004

Corn Production Up 1 Percent from October Forecast

Soybean Production Up 1 Percent, Cotton Production Up 5 Percent

Orange Production Unchanged

**Corn** production is forecast at 11.7 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month and 16% above 2003. Based on conditions as of Nov. 1, the yield is expected to average 160.2 bushels per acre, up 1.8 bushels from Oct. and 18.0 bushels above last year. If realized, both production and yield would be the largest on record. The previous records for both were set last year when production was estimated at 10.1 billion bushels and yield was 142.2 bushels per acre. Across the U.S., yields are forecast at record high levels in 19 of the 33 published corn States. With the exception of Wisconsin, yields in the Corn Belt States are forecast at record highs as weather conditions have been mostly favorable throughout the growing season.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 3.15 billion bushels, up 1 percent from Oct. and 28% above 2003. If realized, this would be the largest U.S. soybean crop on record. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average a record high 42.6 bushels per acre, up 0.6 bushel from October and 8.7 bushels above last year. Producers in the Corn Belt, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and the Carolinas are realizing higher yields than expected last month, while yield prospects decreased as harvest progressed in North Dakota and Minnesota. Area for harvest in the U.S. is forecast at 74.0 million acres, unchanged from last month but up 2 percent from 2003.

**All cotton** production is forecast at 22.5 million 480-pound bales, up 5 percent from October and up 23 percent from last year's production. Yield is expected to average a record high 818 pounds per harvested acre, up 36 pounds from last month. If realized, the yield will be 88 pounds above the previous record high yield established in 2003. Record high yields are expected in Arkansas, California, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas. Harvested area, at 13.2 million acres, is unchanged from October but 10 percent above 2003.

**The U.S. all orange** forecast for the 2004-05 season, at 10.3 million tons, is unchanged from Oct. 1 but down 20% from last season's utilization. This forecast is as of November 1, and takes into account fruit loss caused by the four hurricanes that affected citrus producing areas in Florida during the months of August and September. Florida's all orange forecast, at 176 million boxes (7.92 million tons), is unchanged from October 1 but 27 percent less than last season's final utilization. Early, midseason, and Navel varieties are forecast at 92.0 million boxes (4.14 million tons), unchanged from October 1 but 27 percent below last season's final utilization. Valencia oranges are forecast at 84.0 million boxes (3.78 million tons), 28 percent below last season's final utilization. Arizona, California, and Texas orange production forecasts are carried over from October 1.

**Due** to the widespread hurricane damage this year, the Florida Citrus Industry requested that the Department of Agriculture add a November citrus crop forecast. The Nov. citrus forecast is based on the Size and Drop Survey conducted in Oct. by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service's Florida Statistical Office. The survey provides data about fruit size and droppage. Normally, the Oct. survey will not provide enough new information to change the initial forecast. The monthly size and drop survey data from Oct. were analyzed for any indication of fruit size or droppage changes from what were projected for the initial Oct. forecast. The Nov. 1 forecasts for the other citrus States: Arizona, California, and Texas are carried forward from the October Crop Production report. The schedule for all following Crop Production reports remains unchanged.

**Florida** frozen concentrated orange juice (FCOJ) yield for the 2004-05 season is unchanged from the October 1 forecast at 1.56 gallons per box at 42.0 degrees Brix. This is the same as the 2003-04 season's yield of 1.56 gallons per box as reported by the Florida Citrus Processors Association. All projections of yield assume that the processing relationships this year will be similar to those of the past several seasons.

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